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GERMANY LODGES STRONG PROTEST AGAINST CLOSURE OF CONSULATES IN U.S.: CHARGES ARE REJECTED

GERMANY HAS LODGED A VIGOROUS PROTEST AGAINST THE CLOSING OF GERMAN CONSULATES IN THE UNITED STATES, ACCORDING TO THE GERMAN OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY IN BERLIN.

THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION FROM WASHINGTON THAT SUCH A PROTEST HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

The German Wireless announcer stated: "THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT REJECTED THE CHARGES BROUGHT AGAINST THE GERMANS IN AMERICA AS ARBITRARY AND UNFOUNDED."

Reuter reports from Washington that President Roosevelt told a press conference that the activities of German Consulates leading his order were subversive.

THE PRESIDENT AVOIDED REPLYING DIRECTLY WHETHER THE CONSULS HAVE BEEN LINKED WITH SABOTAGE. HE SAID THAT THE WORD SUBVERSIVE INCLUDED A GREAT MANY SINS.

244,000 ITALIAN PRISONERS

In a written reply in the House of Commons yesterday, the Secretary for War, CAPT. H. D. MARGESSON, said that according to latest information the number of Italian prisoners now in our hands was roughly 244,000.

Of this number, 177,937 came from Italy and 66,000 were African troops serving with the Italian Army.

RALLY ROUND FLAG OF FREEDOM

The Straits Settlements \$10,000,000 war loan has been oversubscribed.

In a broadcast in Singapore, Capt. A. S. Hashim, the Malay member of the S. S. Legislative Council, said: "Like men and women of every colour and creed, the people of Malaya have rallied round the flag of freedom. We rejoice that the Malay Regiment has proved so efficient."

CURTAILMENT OF RUBBER

NEW YORK, June 18 (Reuter)—Rubber for civilian consumption will shortly be very sharply curtailed, according to a high defence official who says that the motorcar industry would do well to obtain tyres enough for half the current output for 1942.

CANBERRA, June 18 (Reuter)—Mr. McEwen, Commonwealth Minister for Air, announced yesterday that Government was considering the absorption of women in clerical duties in the R.A.A.F. This would release physically fit men of fighting age for active service and increase the age limits for the ground staff. Government also decided to reduce the height for entry to the R.A.A.F. to five feet.

ANKARA, June 18 (Reuter)—Telephonic communications between Sofia, Bucharest, and Berlin were cut off on Monday. German officials told enquirers that there has been an "accident" to the line in Germany.

Hope Of The Norwegians

REKJAVIK, June 18 (Reuter)—Icelanders are united in hoping that the Norwegian nation would soon regain its full liberty and independence, the new Regent of Iceland, Sveinn Bjornsson told members of the Icelandic Parliament today.

HE SAID: "Although the King and Government and many other good men have been forced to leave the country, Norwegian resistance still continues."

BY DEFENDING its country heroically, the Norwegian nation has ensured its historical future."

HE STRESSED the need for future co-operation between the Scandinavian countries and other democratic nations.

No More Sea Traffic Into Petsamo

The British Government has informed the Finnish Government that as from last Saturday no further sea traffic will be allowed into the port of PETSAMO.

Three Finnish ships, proceeding to Petsamo, have been intercepted.

The announcement added that this did not mean that the British Government considered Finland to be unneutral but that Finland was not in a position to be really neutral.

Early this month it became obvious that German troops were in Finland in large numbers and were not merely passing through to and from Norway.

Secret Weapon Revealed

ELECTRIFYING ANNOUNCEMENT

Broadcasting from London last night, MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY said that the announcement that the secret weapon, disclosed officially for the first time on Tuesday, was in use in the Battle of Britain, was electrifying.

According to a description given by AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR PHILIP BOBERT, Air Officer C-in-C, Coastal Command, the new weapon consists of ether waves which are radiated continuously into space. If any aircraft comes into contact with these rays a signal is sent back to the detecting station.

The weapon was so far advanced that it necessitated an army of 10,000 men and women to man and maintain the apparatus.

It was a very well kept secret but its development had reached such a stage that its secrecy could not be kept any longer.

The knowledge that we held this secret power in our hands should be a reason for even greater effort in our factories.

There was also a rising weight in our offensive action and the industrial heart of Germany had been subjected to the heaviest and most damaging raids by the R. A. F. for the past few nights.

The increase in enemy shipping using coastal waters may well be the direct answer to the condition of the Rhineland after visits by British bombers.

But we must not think that because we have taken the offensive the Luftwaffe would not do the same. We were quite prepared for heavy raids to begin following the present lull.

RUHR ATTACKED FOR THE SEVENTH NIGHT IN SUCCESSION: MUCH DESTRUCTION

LONDON, June 18 (British Wireless)—FOR THE SEVENTH NIGHT IN SUCCESSION BOMBING OF THE RUHR IS RECORDED IN THE AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE WHICH SURVEYS, IN DETAIL, THE DAY AND NIGHT OPERATIONS.

"The R.A.F. again carried out large scale offensive operations over the Channel and Northern France during daylight yesterday. Many squadrons of our fighters provided escorts for aircraft of the Coastal Command attacking enemy shipping in the Channel and for the Bomber Command aircraft attacks on the industrial plant near Bethune.

"The plant, which supplies fuel and power to the occupying forces, received hits and was left burning.

"No aircraft of the Coastal or Bomber Command is missing from these operations.

"Our fighters encountered many enemy fighters and numerous combats took place. Thirteen of the enemy were destroyed. Ten of our fighters are missing.

MUCH DESTRUCTION

"Bomber Command aircraft were again out in force during the night over industrial areas in Western Germany. Their principal objectives were at Cologne and Dusseldorf and, as on the previous night, many fires were started and much destruction caused.

"Subsidiary attacks were also made during the night on the docks at Rotterdam, Ostend, Boulogne and Cherbourg and on enemy shipping by aircraft of the Bomber and Coastal Commands and by aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm operating with the Coastal Command.

"One aircraft of the Bomber Command is missing from these night operations."

BOMBER DOWNED

LONDON, June 18 (BWS)—One enemy bomber was destroyed during raids on this country last night.

Enemy activity was on a very small scale and only bombs were reported on the East coast where there were a few casualties.

Evacuation From Cyprus Now Complete

NICOSIA, CYPRUS, June 18 (Reuter)—The voluntary civilian evacuation from Cyprus is now complete, it can be revealed today.

Among those who have left the island are 500 Polish refugees from Warsaw and other Polish towns, chiefly the intelligentsia, former Government officials and their families who had been there for nearly a year and who have been sent to the mainland at the British Government's expense.

A number of Jewish refugees, who found sanctuary here from the Nazi terror, have also gone abandoning small businesses and farms started here.

The wives and children of British officials and some retired residents have also left.

BRITISH ENVOY SEES SARAJOGLU

ANKARA, June 18 (Reuter)—The British Ambassador, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, had two interviews with the Turkish Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu, yesterday.

The German Ambassador, Herr von Papen, called on the Foreign Office today.

Since his return from Berlin, he has been trying hard to effect some improvement of Turkish-German relations.

It is understood that he had several conversations recently with M. Sarajoglu.

Libya Battle Progress

TANKS BEING MAINLY USED

LONDON, June 18 (BWS)—The battle which is at present in progress in Libya resulted from the employment of larger forces on both sides, according to a competent commentator, after the British had surprised the enemy and gained the initial success in a local advance by capturing Fort Capuzzo.

No decisive result has been achieved on either side but the present significance of the operation is the fact the GENERAL SIR ARCHIBALD WAVE-ELL has been able to stage and undertake it while carrying out an offensive campaign on another front in Syria.

It is obvious that tanks are being mainly used with some motorised infantry as it is very difficult for marching troops in the intense heat now prevailing in that area.

BIGGER SCALE

Referring to Libya, in a broadcast commentary from London last night, MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY, said that without a doubt the operations in this area were on a bigger scale than any on this front for a long time.

The British forces were making an initial penetration which pointed to something more to expect than the capture of the Sollum area only.

In desert warfare we were not likely to hear much detail of the advances until our positions were consolidated.

But the most significant thing was that we had taken the offensive against both ends of the pincer with which Germany hoped to attack Egypt.

NEW GOVERNOR OF TANGANYIKA TERRITORY

His Majesty the King has approved of the appointment of SIR WILFRID JACKSON, K.C.M.G., Governor of British Guiana, to be Governor of Tanganyika Territory, in succession to SIR MARK AITCHISON YOUNG, K.C.M.G., who, as announced yesterday, has been appointed Governor of Hongkong in succession to SIR GEOFFREY NORTHCOTE, K.C.M.G., who is relinquishing his appointment for reasons of health.

Sir Wilfrid Jackson, who succeeded Sir Geoffrey as Governor of British Guiana, was Governor of Mauritius from 1936 to 1937.

HONORARY DEGREE FOR DR. HU SHIH

WASHINGTON, June 18 (Central)—Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese Ambassador to the United States, received an honorary Doctor of Law degree from Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont, yesterday.

CHINESE DETERMINATION TO RESIST TO THE LAST

SINGAPORE, June 18 (Reuter)—A HUNDRED-THOUSAND CHINESE ARE EXPECTED TO SIGN A MESSAGE TO BE SENT FROM MALAYA TO GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK TO MARK THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SINO-JAPANESE HOSTILITIES.

The move is initiated by the NANYANG SIANGPAO, the leading Chinese paper in Singapore.

The message will express firstly, the determination of the Chinese people to resist to the last, under the leadership of the Generalissimo and treating any compromise as national annihilation.

Secondly, to emphasise the three principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen for Democracy, unity and internal reconstruction, and

Finally, imperative smash of treacherous organisations including Wang Ching-wei's puppet regime.

PROMINENT SIGNATORIES Many prominent Chinese are the signatories, including Mr. Tan Kah-kee. The signatories pledge the continuance of financial contribution and every effort to build up a powerful overseas great wall, thus directly refuting all Japanese inspired rumours.

The signatories express firm conviction that a final victory over the invaders is daily approaching and in view of the "critical situation in the South Seas," it is time for them to contribute more than ever to the defence of the fatherland as an inseparable part of the defence of the territories where they are living.

Today's News Summary

ACCORDING TO THE BERLIN WIRELESS, Germany has lodged a strong protest with the United States against the closure of Nazi Consulates in America. It is also reported from New York that the United States Government will take strong measures to control immigration before July 1.

THE RUHR, INDUSTRIAL HEART OF the German war machine, was heavily raided by British aircraft for the seventh night in succession on Tuesday. Enemy shipping was also attacked as were the docks at Rotterdam, Ostend and Boulogne.

IN SYRIA, ALLIED PATROLS ARE 15 miles from Beirut while British troops are attacking Meze, three miles to the west of Damascus, capital of the country.

IT IS REPORTED THAT THE PURPOSE of the visit of Wang Ching-wei to Tokyo is to see financial assistance for the Nanking regime.

IT WAS STATED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS yesterday that 244,000 Italian prisoners are now in our hands.

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CHUNG HWA & SOUTH CHINA STAGE SURPRISE TREAT IN LAST WEEK'S BASEBALL

BY "R.O.Y."

CHUNG HWA AND S. CHINA STAGED THE SURPRISE TREAT OF THE WEEKEND ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON when they battled to a 6-5 decision that went in favour of "Grampop" Leung's Maroons, after Wally Ching, speedy Southern Chinese hurler, had pitched seven hitless innings for the losers.

The Mindanao-Sappers match was, as expected, rather one-sided, the sailors breezing through to a big 12-1 victory. Sunday's lone fixture saw the Hongkong Brewers handing a 7-4 beating to the U.S.S. Asheville, in a fracas that was closer than the scores indicated.

SAILORS WIN

Against the Sappers, "Ski" Powlawski sent Hank Ruel to the mound, and the "Crooner" had "Welfie" Welford's Engineers swinging wildly with a selection of roundhouse curves that few local hurlers, still in the game, could match. Honest Tom was the only Sapper to get a hit off the "Crooner" and that was but a mere single which did, however, drive in Buck Taylor for the Sappers' only tally. Mickey Sarsfield, on the hillcock for the losers, did a steady job and conceded only eight safeties which included two triples and a brace of doubles.

"Ski" Powlawski had a great day with the hickory, coming up with both triples and a two-bagger in his four trips to the pan. Hank Ruel was the next best stick-wielder with two bingles also in four times at bat.

CHUNG HWA-SOUTH CHINA

Honours of the Chung Hwa-South China struggle went to Grampop Leung who, pinch-hitting for Willis Woo, batted in the winning tally in the ninth, and to Wally Ching for hurling an official no-hitter and yet lost the decision.

The Chung Hwa boys jumped into an early lead with a marker in the first and two more in the second, but South China came back strongly to take the lead with a tally in the fourth and a bunch of three in the fifth. The Chung Hwa boys however edged in front again with runs through Richard Chung and Morocco Chan in the sixth only for the southern Chinese to tie the count through Harry Chinn in the seventh.

SCORELESS FRAME

Both squads were held scoreless in the first extra frame and Chung Hwa started the next well when Bill Chang got on as the result of Harry Chinn's miscue. Shortly after fanned but Ken Lo doubled to push Bill Chang to third.

Grampop Leung marched up to the plate and, after sneering at two bad 'uns, dragged a single to right that drove Bill Chang across the plate for the tie-breaker as Lo sped to third. Grampop took second standing up. Choy drove the ball back to hurler Wally Ching who tossed the apple to Hal Wing Lee to nail Ken Lo at the plate and then the argument started.

Tony Mascavage waved the runner out, but the Chung Hwa boys contended that Wing Lee had dropped the ball. Tony didn't see it so stuck to his guns despite Manager P. K. Lau's threat of filing a protest, and "Looney" Loong ended the tumultuous session by whiffing the ureeze.

Al Lau, twirling for the winners, had the South China boys out in double quick time in the final half, to gain a well-earned victory.

BREWERS V. ASHEVILLE

The Brewers started off in great style against the Asheville, with three runs that were belted in by Dave Leonard's tremendous triple to left. The Asheville lads went scoreless for the first four frames but broke into the scoring column with a marker through "Dusty" Rhoades in the fifth.

Sound hurling by Wop Digiacomo kept the Brewers from increasing their lead until the sixth session when Digs, lost control momentarily and walked Baby Abbas, after loading the sacks, to force Hank Al across the plate.

Then and there, Tony Grover-nale nodded Digiacomo to the showers, and Chuck Sawyer took over with the sacks soaked. With the rioters yelling for Chuck to get the Brewers out of there, Von Bowen worked Sawyer for a free ride that allowed Tony Alves to stroll home. "Obaaa" Aroull, who had gone hitless all morning, then came to light with a slashing grounder to right to chase home Dave Leonard and Abbas, which ended the Brewers' noogie.

Coming into the seventh needing

six markers to win, the blue-jackets showed promise when Rabbit Watkins beat out a bunt along the third base foul-line, Lefty Crumm doubled and "Freezer" Lela singled. Their threat went no further though, as Halgh grounded out to Arculli. Chuck Sawyer hoisted a foul that Stan Leonard gobbled up and Tor Grover-nale, clutch-hitting for Bam Langford, led an easy grounder to George Jura.

The game was quite interesting as both squads defended stubbornly and committed but three bingles a-side. The Brewers were out 8-8 but bunched three safeties in the first and the remaining three in the sixth, whereas the sailors' eight hits were spread over five frames.

Tony Alves paced the Brewers attack with two bunts but it was Dave Leonard's triple that virtually won the game. Dusty Rhoades and Freezer Lela with 2-in-4 garnered a neat 500 average to lead Asheville boys, but the losers' longest hit was Lefty Crumm's two-bagger that came during his squad's gallant last inning attempt to make up the five-run leeway.

MATCH POSTPONED

Owing to the heavy rain of Tuesday night, the Mindanao-Hongkong Baseballers clash, scheduled for yesterday evening, has been postponed to a later date, which will be announced in due course.

CHAIRMAN'S REGRET

MAN "OUGHT TO GO TO FARM FOR LIFE"

"Speaking for myself, if there were any system in this country whereby I could send you to a farm where you would be made to work under proper supervision, I would send you there for the rest of your life."

These scathing words were addressed by the chairman of St. Albans Quarter Sessions, Judge Sturges, to George Barker, 32, a sapper in the Royal Engineers. Barker pleaded guilty to an assault on a 20-year-old North Country girl, and was given the maximum sentence of two years' hard labour.

The girl concerned—pretty, dark-haired Annie Robson—lately came from the North to live with her brother on the outskirts of Hitchin.

On the evening of March 18 she lost herself while making her way home in the black-out. Barker accosted her, said he was "going her way," and offered to put her on the right path.

Miss Robson at first told Barker to go away, but he persisted in accompanying her.

On a lonely pathway he suddenly seized her and pulled her to the ground.

KNOCKED GIRL TO GROUND

Miss Robson, screaming for help, struggled with him, but he knocked her twice more to the ground.

On the third occasion, when Miss Robson was lying helpless the offence took place.

Barker was subsequently arrested, and at Hitchin Police-station said: "I don't want to cause the young lady any more unpleasantness, and I don't want an identification parade, I did it."

Det.-sergt. Cyril Perkins made an astonishing revelation of a series of similar offences which Barker had previously committed.

When Barker was 21, said the officer, he was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for assaulting a female; at 24 he received three years' penal servitude for a grave assault; at 27, two months' imprisonment for assault on girls; and at 30, 18 months' imprisonment for gross misbehaviour.

"The one thing I can say to you, Barker, is that you don't deserve your freedom, you have to be brutally assaulted, through the mind and body, and you had consented to your fate."

Joe Louis Challenged 18th Time



NEW YORK, June 18 (Reuter)—Since winning the world heavyweight title by knocking out James Braddock in the eleventh round on June 22, 1937, JOE LOUIS has been challenged for the title 17 times, always winning generally well inside the distance.

Tonight he meets his eighteenth challenger in Billy Conn and though general expectations suggest that Louis will keep the title, many people would not be surprised if he is dethroned.

Conn is from Pittsburg, and first achieved fame as a lightweight. Conn now weighs 182 lbs. and Louis is expected to scale 200 lbs.

It is expected Conn will give the champion a hard battle.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

TENNIS.—Fourth Division: A.T.C. v. C.C.C., P.O.R.C. (1) v. S.C.A.A., J.R.C. v. F.C., C.B.A. v. P.O.R.C. (2), I.R.C. v. C.R.C.

WATER-POLO.—Navy "A" v. "B" (Navy pool), 6 p.m.; European Y.M.C.A. v. Navy, "C" (Navy pool), 6.30 p.m.; Middlesex "A" v. Royal Scots, "A" (Army pool), 7.15 p.m.; Combined Small Units v. 38th Battery, R.A. (Army pool), 7.45 p.m.; Royal Corps of Signals v. 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. ("Y" pool), 7.15 p.m.; Royal Scots "B" v. 95th Battery, R.A. ("Y" pool), 7.45 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division: Recrelo "A" v. Civil Service, Indian R.C. v. Craigengower, Kowloon B.G.C. "B" v. Kowloon C.C., Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v. Police R.C., Kowloon Docks R.C. v. Recrelo "B" Second Division: Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon (Tong), Tai-koo R.C. v. Prison O.C. Third Division: Hongkong F.C. v. Craigengower, Police R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C., Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C., Hongkong Electric v. Indian R.C.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

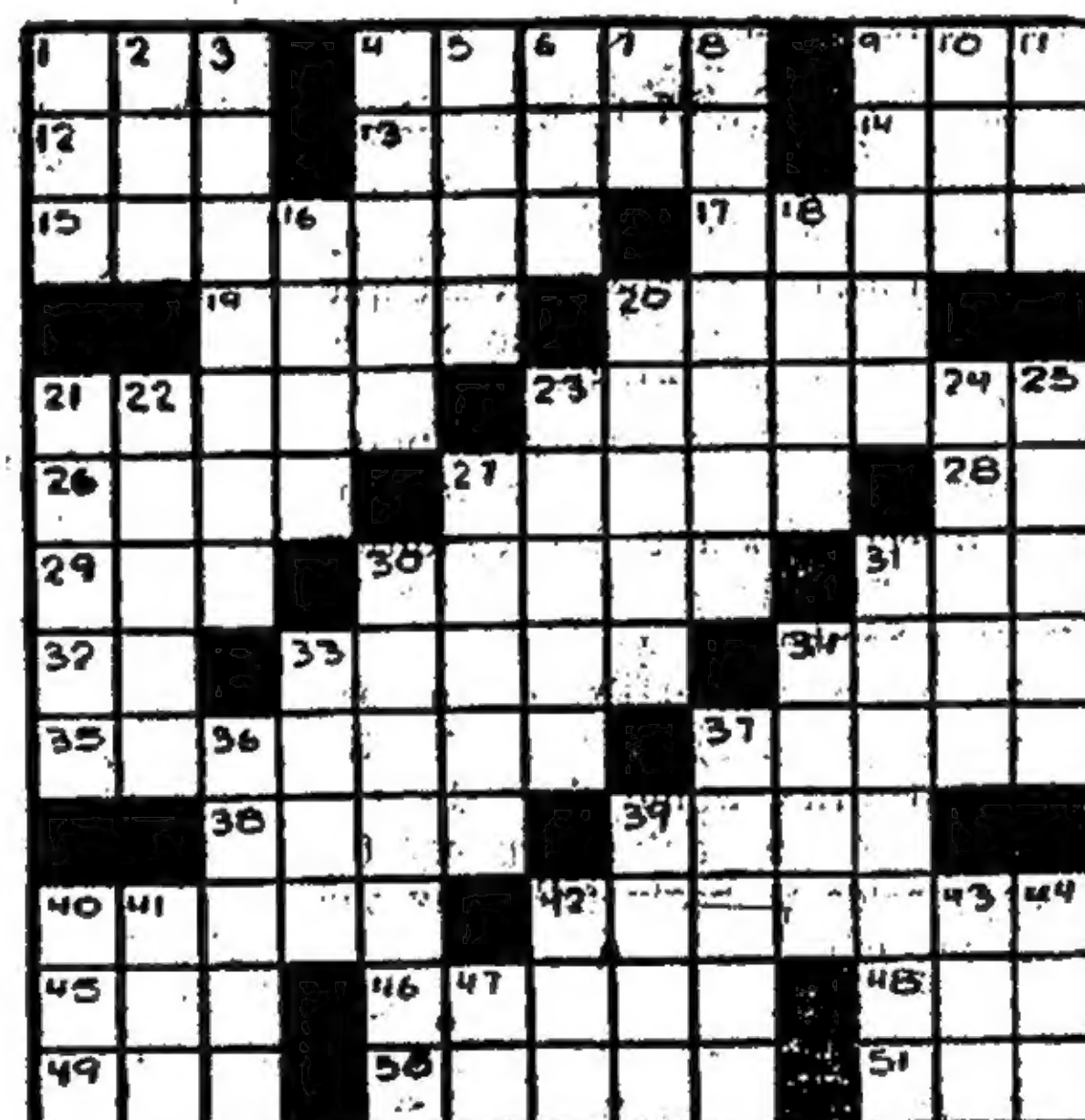
WATER-POLO.—8th Coastal Regt. R.A. v. 95th Battery, R.A. (Army pool), 12 noon.

WATER-POLO.—8th Coastal Regt. R.A. v. Navy "C" (Navy pool), 11 a.m.; 95th Battery, R.A. v. 36th Battery, R.A. (Navy pool), 11.30 a.m.; 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. v. Middlesex "A" ("Y" pool), 11 a.m.; European Y.M.C.A. v. Middlesex "B" ("Y" pool), 11.30 a.m.; Navy "B" v. Royal Scots "A" (Army pool), 11 a.m.; Royal Scots "B" v. Combined Small Units (Army pool), 11.30 a.m.

CROSSWORD NO. 911

ACROSS

- 1 Legal profession
- 4 Measure of length
- 9 Month
- 12 Masculine name
- 13 What was the first name of Vernon Castle's dancing partner?
- 14 The kava
- 15 What Sultan of Egypt and Syria captured the King of Jerusalem in battle?
- 17 What is the capital of Oregon?
- 19 Periods of time
- 20 Hindu god
- 21 Lures
- 23 What famous scholar worked with Turbot on the great Encyclopaedia?
- 25 Units of energy
- 27 Uncovers
- 28 Six in Roman numerals
- 29 Three
- 30 Clowns
- 31 Term used in driving animals
- 33 Towards
- 34 One of a Germanic people
- 35 Young salmon
- 36 What English statesman became Chancellor of the Exchequer when the Labor Ministry was



- 18 Birds
- 20 Nymph who lured mariners
- 21 Pounds
- 22 Malicious burning
- 23 Who was the friend of Pythias?
- 24 Outward
- 25 Rows of seats
- 27 What Rebel lion took place in China in 1900?
- 30 What group of Atlantic Islands off the coast of Africa belongs to Portugal?
- 31 Gathers
- 33 Moved through water
- 34 Ache
- 36 Fat
- 37 Breathes laboriously
- 39 Device to hold work
- 40 Dine
- 41 Prevaricate
- 42 Sun
- 43 Smart blow
- 44 Pig pen
- 47 Correlative of either

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CHINESE VICE-CONSUL FOR PENANG

An indication of the importance of the Chinese Consulate of Penang is the announcement from the Chungking Foreign Office of the appointment of Mr. Cheng (Ta-hung) as vice-consul for Penang.

Mr. Cheng has already left Hongkong and is on his way to take up his new post here.

A graduate of the Shanghai Fudan University and the Louvain University of Belgium, Mr. Cheng was among the first group to pass the examination held at the Foreign Ministry for those wishing to join the Foreign Office.

For several years he was attached to the Chinese Embassy in Spain and Norway.

Mr. Cheng was also in the International Department, Chungking Foreign Office, for the last five years.

STRANGE DIRECTION IN SHERIFF'S WILL

A direction for a strange fishing competition in Loch Leven—the competitor catching the heaviest basket of trout to receive £25 and to throw deceased's ashes into the loch—was included in the will, of Mr. George Percy Trentham, of Oak Hill, Bucknell, Salop, a junior sheriff of the City of London.

He died as the result of enemy action in December last.

The competitors are to be his three sons and co-directors.

Mr. Trentham, who was a public works contractor, left £186,845. He directed that all private loans under £300 "should be extinguished."

MORE RECRUITS WANTED FOR PASSIVE DEFENCE

All the Passive Defence Services in Malaya need more men, stress the different heads of all the departments. The response to the invitations for enlistment has been heartening ever since the war began, but with the expansion of all the Passive Defence Services more and more men are needed.

The strength of the A.R.P. warden in Singapore alone exceeds 4,500, but the services of 500 more wardens are needed immediately to man posts in the more congested areas of the city, particularly in China-town, the Telok Ayer area and Rochore Road area.

The Auxiliary Fire Service have about 400 men under training, but the head of the service, Mr. A. Newberry, says that he would like to have 200 more men immediately.

There is no limit to the number of volunteers the medical Auxiliary Services need, say the authorities.

The M.A.S. has about 500 volunteer nurses under training and 200 more are required now. M.A.S. work at the moment is purely voluntary, and women and girls who volunteer will be paid out of pocket expenses.

The need for more volunteer nurses and stretcher bearers is urgent.

Volunteers to man the first aid depot and first aid posts at Tiong Bahru, posts at Wayang Satu, Kampong Java and the Y.W.C.A. are required.

Dr. G. V. Allen, Principal of the Medical College, who is the head of the Blood Transfusion Service, says that there has been no improvement in the response to the call for blood-donors in the past few weeks.

Here too, there is no limit to the number of blood donors required.

For the first time, blood is being stored in refrigerators at the College of Medicine. Experiments in different methods of storing blood and plasma (residue from blood without cells) have been carried out at the College of Medicine under the direction of Professor R. G. S. Macgregor for the past year, but actual storage of blood and plasma from blood donors was commenced two months ago.

DRIED PLASMA

Although samples of dried plasma have been prepared at the College of Medicine, only liquid plasma and blood is being stored. The advantage of fluid plasma is that it need not be reconstituted.

Fluid plasma can be stored for nine or ten months, and fluid blood for a month and quantities of these have already been supplied to the hospitals for urgent cases.

Mystery Of Traffic In Boys Between China And Malaya

There is a local air of mystery about the traffic in boys from China to Malaya, the first news of which was given out in the House of Commons recently when Mr. George Hall, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, declared that "Inquiries by the S.S. Government, in collaboration with the authorities of Hongkong have shown that since the extension of the Sino-Japanese hostilities to South China, there has been a traffic of some extent in boys from China to Malaya."

Mr. Hall further declared that the S.S. Government had decided that preventive steps must be taken and that the Secretary of State for the Colonies was awaiting the Governor's recommendations.

Chinese Secretariat officials refused to give any information except that legislation was being drafted to deal with the question.

Members of the Governor's Straits Chinese Consultative Committee and the Chinese Advisory Board, when approached by the Tribune, declare that they do not know anything about it, and at the Chinese Consulate it was stated that nothing was known of the existence of any such traffic.

A Consulate official declared that that trafficking in boys was illegal and prohibited in China, and any steps taken by the local Government to check any such traffic would have the support of the Consulate.

Several other local Chinese leaders who were also approached by the Tribune say they do not know anything of the matter.

ARTIST WINS APPEAL

Formerly circuit marshal to three High Court judges, Rex de Charembac Nan Kivell, 42, artist, of Cork-street, W., successfully appealed at London Sessions against conviction and sentence of 28 days' hard labour imposed at Bow-street on a charge of receiving two stolen typewriters.

Mr. R. B. Seaton, prosecuting, alleged that Nan Kivell paid £10 for the two machines, one of which was recovered from the Redfern Art Galleries, and the other was found in his flat.

Mr. St. John Hutchinson, defending, said Nan Kivell was born in New Zealand, and served with the Dominion Forces in the last war. Afterwards he took a course at the Royal College of Science.

WAS MARSHAL

For six years he was marshal to Justices Avory, Darling, and Shearman, and in 1927 he and the late Lord Allington purchased the Bedford Art Galleries. Since the death of Lord Allington last year Nan Kivell had conducted the business himself.

Three or four years ago he met a man named Henderson, an artists' model, who, in February, called on him with the typewriters and suggested he would receive commission on them when he sold them.

Nan Kivell said he had no idea the typewriters were stolen, and he contemplated buying one of them for use in his business. When the police asked him if he had purchased anything recently, he thought they were referring to pictures. He had no idea they were talking about typewriters.

In allowing the appeal the chairman made no order as to costs.

yet been taken by the local authorities.

There are no records of dry blood being produced, although the Japanese claim to have found a method of drying blood.

Even if dried plasma is obtainable locally, medical authorities point out that the need for a large number of blood donors in Malaya of dried plasma from California but no decision has still remains.

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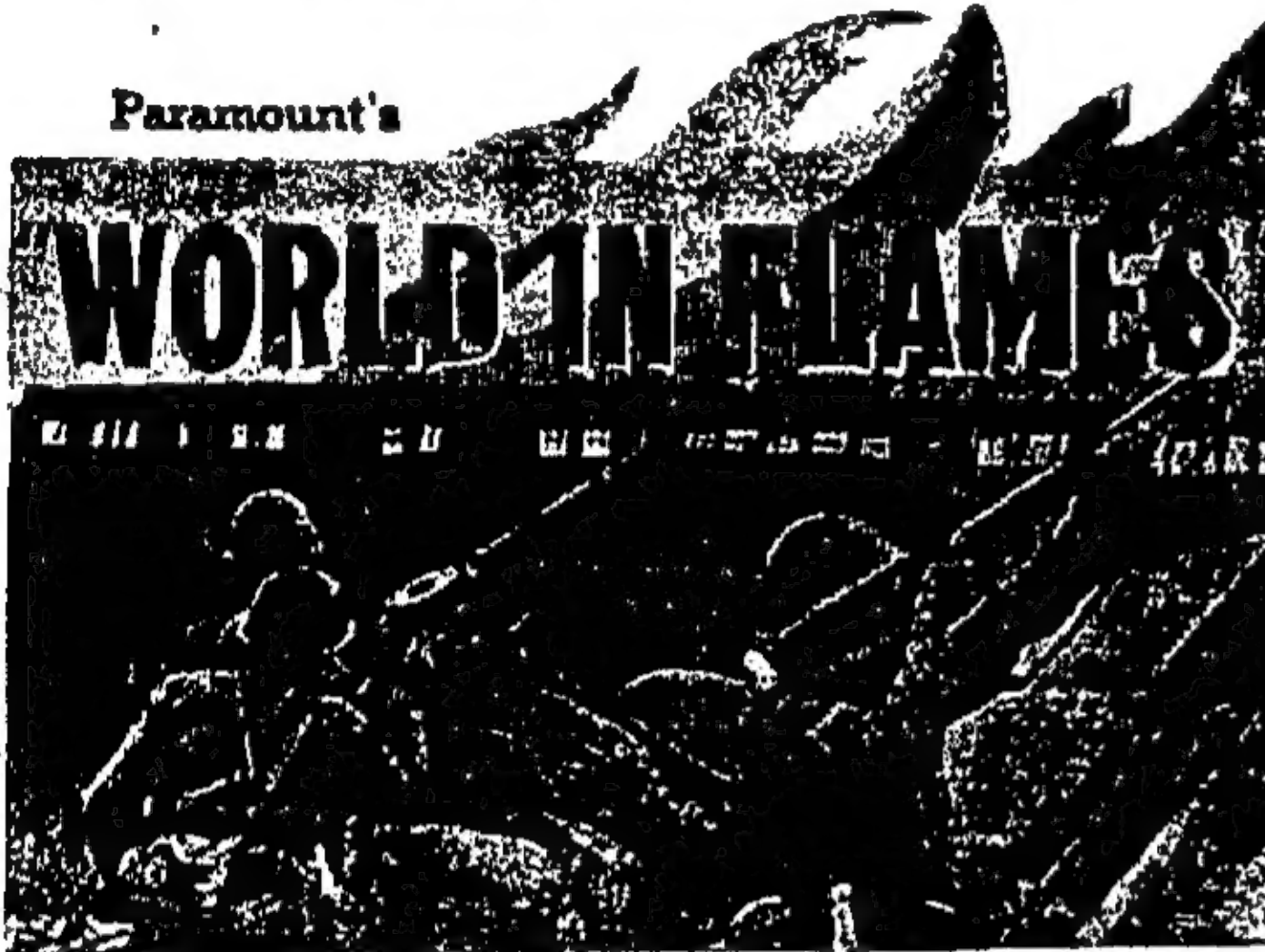
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19—Tides: High 7.01 a.m. and 6.52 p.m. Low: 1.14 a.m. and 12.23 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.39 a.m.; Sunset: 7.10 p.m.
St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work.
10 a.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship Club Social.
8.45 p.m.
Chero Club Bridge and Mahjong.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Weekly Meeting, 1 p.m.

Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.
Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Ladies' Knitting Party (B.W.O.F.), Helena May Institute, 9 a.m. to noon.

20—Tides: High 7.34 a.m. and 8.12 p.m. Low: 2.07 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.39 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.

Wartime Intercession Service, St. Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m.
Chero Club Dart and Table Tennis, H.E. to attend film screening at Club Lusitano, 7.30 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-12 noon.

Annual Meeting of St. John's University Alumni Assn., Chinese Merchants' Club, 7.30 p.m.

Catholic Cathedral Procession in Honour of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, 5.30 p.m.

21—Tides: High 8.04 a.m. and 9.17 p.m. Low: 1.08 a.m. and 2.54 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.39 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.
Victoria Diocesan Conference, St. Andrew's Church, 3 p.m.

Baseball League.
Lawn Bowls League.
Lane Crawford Ltd., Annual Meeting, 11 a.m.

Kowloon Cricket Club Social, 9 p.m.

22—Tides: High 8.29 a.m. and 10.07 p.m. Low: 1.48 a.m. and 3.23 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.39 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group.
Baseball League.
Lawn Bowls League.

23—Tides: High 8.57 a.m. and 10.52 p.m. Low: 2.28 a.m. and 4.12 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.40 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Offices, 9 a.m.

24—Tides: High 9.26 a.m. and 11.31 p.m. Low: 3.06 a.m. and 4.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.40 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.
Rotary Club Tiffin, Closed Meeting.

25—Tides: High 9.57 a.m. and 12.07 p.m. Low: 3.42 a.m. and 5.27 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.40 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.
Annual Meeting of Canton Insurance Office Ltd., Jardine, Matheson and Co. Office, noon.

26—Tides: High 10.35 a.m. and 12.44 p.m. Low: 4.17 a.m. and 6.06 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.40 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.

THE GREAT PROFILE

Striking a new high in side-splitting, different comedy, John Barrymore's latest starring film for 20th Century-Fox, "The Great Profile," opens today on a wave of never ending laughter at the King's Theatre.

The cyclonic Mr. Barrymore has successfully evolved a new laugh-making technique of his own. His choice for the title role by Production Chieftain Darryl F. Zanuck was a master stroke of casting.

Aiding and abetting Mr. Barrymore in all the merry madness is a top notch cast of favourite personalities, including Mary Beth Hughes, Gregory Ratoff, John Payne, Anne Baxter and Lionel Atwill.

You've never seen anything more comical than Barrymore's footlight antics. Superb, accomplished in everything up to the last inch of his eyebrow, Barrymore is amazing in a role that was a "natural" for him.

Well cast, and expertly directed by Walter Lang, "The Great Profile" is slick, smart, and sophisticated. It never relaxes its terrific laugh-setting pace. With Barrymore at his zesty best, "The Great Profile" is guaranteed to tickle your funnybone.

MODEL AIRPLANES EXHIBITION

The first exhibition of model airplanes under the auspices of the Hongkong Model Airplane Association, originally scheduled to take place on June 14, has now been postponed to August 12, when it will be held simultaneously with the second exhibition.

Detailed measures regarding the exhibition, now being drafted by the Association, will be made public shortly.

At the suggestion of General Chiang T'ing-wei, Chairman of the Shensi Provincial Government, the coffin of General Chu Ching-lan, well-known philanthropist and welfare worker, who died in Sian last February while carrying on his duties as a member of the National Relief Commission, will be temporarily buried at the Chuching village, south of Sian on June 20.

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Variety Programmes

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance."

"Overture"—Light Opera Orchestra.
What Shall I Do?—Derek Oldham.
Climbing Over Rocky Mountain—Nellie Briercliffe, Nellie Walker and Chorus of Girls.

Stop, Ladies, Pray—Nellie Briercliffe and Nellie Walker.
Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls.
Oh! Is There Not One Maiden Breast—Derek Oldham, Elsie Griffin and Chorus of Girls.

Now For The Pirates' Lair: When You Had Left Our Pirate Fold — Derek Oldham, Peter Dawson and Dorothy Gill. Away, Away! My Heart's On Fire—Dorothy Gill, Derek Oldham and Peter Dawson.

All Is Prepared! Stay, Fredric, Stay—Elsie Griffin and Derek Oldham.
Now What Is This, and What Is That?—George Baker, Derek Oldham, Elsie Griffin and Full Chorus.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.
1.02 Charlie Kunz at the Piano.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 2.
23—Intro: A Star Fell Out of Heaven.
Serenade in the Night: A Fine Romance; No Regrets; When the Poppies Bloom Again; This'll Make you Whistle.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 3—Intro: Don't worry 'bout me; Our love; And the angels sing; Especially for you; Angels never leave Heaven; Goodnight, my darling, good-night.

1.15 Hawaiian Selections.
Hawaiian Paradise (Owens); Sweet Hawaiian Maid (Johnson)—Andy Tona and His Islanders with Vocal Chorus.
Oua, Oua; Tomi, Tomi—Kaniul and Lulu (Hawaiian Novelty), Sundown in Old Waikiki (Carlton and Ritz)—George Elliot's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet with Vocal Chorus.

1.30 Reuter and Beyer Press and Announcements.
1.45 Elsie and Doris Waters in Variety.

Comedienne—Gert, Daisy, A Piano—And How!—Elsie and Doris Waters.
Cinema Organ — Dance Time — The Fox-Trot; Grandma said: I miss you in the morning. The Waltz: I shall remember you smiling; Where the Shannon flows down to the sea—Reginald Dixon. Vocal Duets — The Ferry Boat Serenade (Adamson-Di Lazzaro); Only For Ever (film "Rhythm on the River")—Al Bowley and Jimmy Mesene with Two Guitars.

Instr.—Sweet Sue, Just You (Harris and Young); Poor Butterfly (Golden and Hubbell)—The Dixie Devils with Vocal Chorus. Comedienne — The Tale of a Hat—Elsie and Doris Waters w. Piano.

2.15 Close down.
6.00 Indian Programme.
6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 The Symphony Orchestra and Nancy Evans (Soprano).
"Ruy Blas"—Overture (Mendelssohn)—Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dr. Malcolm Sargent. The Sunshine of Your Smile (Cooke-Ray) — Nancy Evans (Sop.) with Orch. Schubert Waltzes (Schubert)—Symphony Orch. Mountain Lovers (Weatherley-Squire)—Nancy Evans (Sop.) w. Orch. "The Planets"—No. 4: Jupiter (The Bringer of Jollity) (Holst)—Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

7.30 Grieg—Sonata in C Minor, Op. 45.
1st Mov: Allegro molto ed appassionato; 2nd Mov: Allegretto espressivo alla Romanza; 3rd Mov: "Allegro animato — Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin).

7.45 Grieg Songs.
Solveig's Song from "Peer Gynt"—Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Piano acc. Un Reve — Bennington (Gill) (Tenor) with Orchestra. Et Hab, Op. 28, No. 1—Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) w. Piano. I Love Thee — Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra.

8.00 London Relay—The News.
8.15 London Relay — "Questions of the Hour."
8.30 A Military Band Concert.

Orpheus In The Underworld—Overture (Offenbach, arr. Pearson) — The Black Dog Mills Band. The Whistler and His Dog (Pjor) — Silver Stars Band. "Amar Cana" (Thurban) — The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards. Three Dale Dances (Wood) — Calender's Senior Band. Rakoczy March (from "Damnation of Faust" (Berlioz—arr. Godfrey) — The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

8.54 London Time Signal and Programme Summary.
9.04 Reginald Poot at the Organ.
Hits from the Shows—Intro: Crazy Bang! I want to go Home! Comes Love! Let's make Memories tonight! Have you met Miss Jones? D. D. Jones; Good-bye Sally. Leslie Stuart Selection—Intro: Soldiers of the King; Tell me pretty maiden; In the shade of the Palm; Little Dolly Daydream; Sweetheart May; Lily of Laguna.

9.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.
9.30 A Light Orchestral Programme with Vocal Duets by Anne Ziegler & Webster Booth.

Moya, Lovely Moya (O'Brien and Peter); Come to the Ball (from "The Quaker Girl" — Monckton)—Orchestra Louise (Vocalist: Gerald Fitzgerald). Only A Rose (from "The Vagabond King"—Prin); You, Just You (from "Wild Violets") — Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth (Vocal Duets) w. Orch. The Whirl of the Waltz—Intro: Destiny Waltz; Naughty Waltz; Valse Vanite; Missouri Waltz; New Mayfair Orchestra. A Medley of Songs and Duets by Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth — Intro: Until; Love's Old Sweet Song; I hear you calling Me; Two Little Words; Deep in my Heart; Dear; I'll walk beside You; I give my Heart; I'll see you again—with Orch. Poem (Giblich)—Tom Jones and His Orchestra.

9.45 — 10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).
10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.
10.15 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Safe In My Heart; When You Come to the End of a Journey—The Organ. The Dance Band and Me. Slow Fox-Trot—Careless; Fox-Trot — Seventeen Candles—Ambrose and His Orchestra. Swing Fox-Trots — Blue Strings; Keep Goin'—Bert Pirman's Quintuplets of Swing. Waltz—Little Anne — Jungherr's Accordion Melodians. Quickstep — Are You Havin' Any Fun? (from "The little dog laughed"); Slow Fox-Trot—Where or When (from "Babes in Arms") — Ambrose and His Orchestra. Fange — Pura Milonga; Mal De Ausencia — Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Quickstep — Swingin' In the Corn (film "Radio City Revels") — Nat Gonella and Georgiana. Fox-Trot You've Done Something to My Heart; Slow Fox-Trot—The Drift (both from C. B. Cochran's "Lights Up" — Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

11.00 London Relay — To Talk of Many Things.
11.15 Close down.

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| Full Bulletin | 8.30 a.m. |

OSLO DOCTORS DEMAND JUSTICE

Violations of the law protecting Norwegian physicians and high-handed attempts to nullify the Doctor's Guild are creating such bitter resentment that the medical men of Norway may declare a strike, according to a dispatch from Curt Falkenstrom to the Stockholm Tidningen.

The trouble started when the Nazi-appointed surgeon general of Norway recently announced that all appointments of municipal and district doctors would be determined by their "political views."

Following this new policy, the Nazi authorities arrested Dr. Rolv Gjessing, internationally known director of the Dikemark insane asylum, thus removing the guiding hand from an institution with 800 patients and 400 employees.

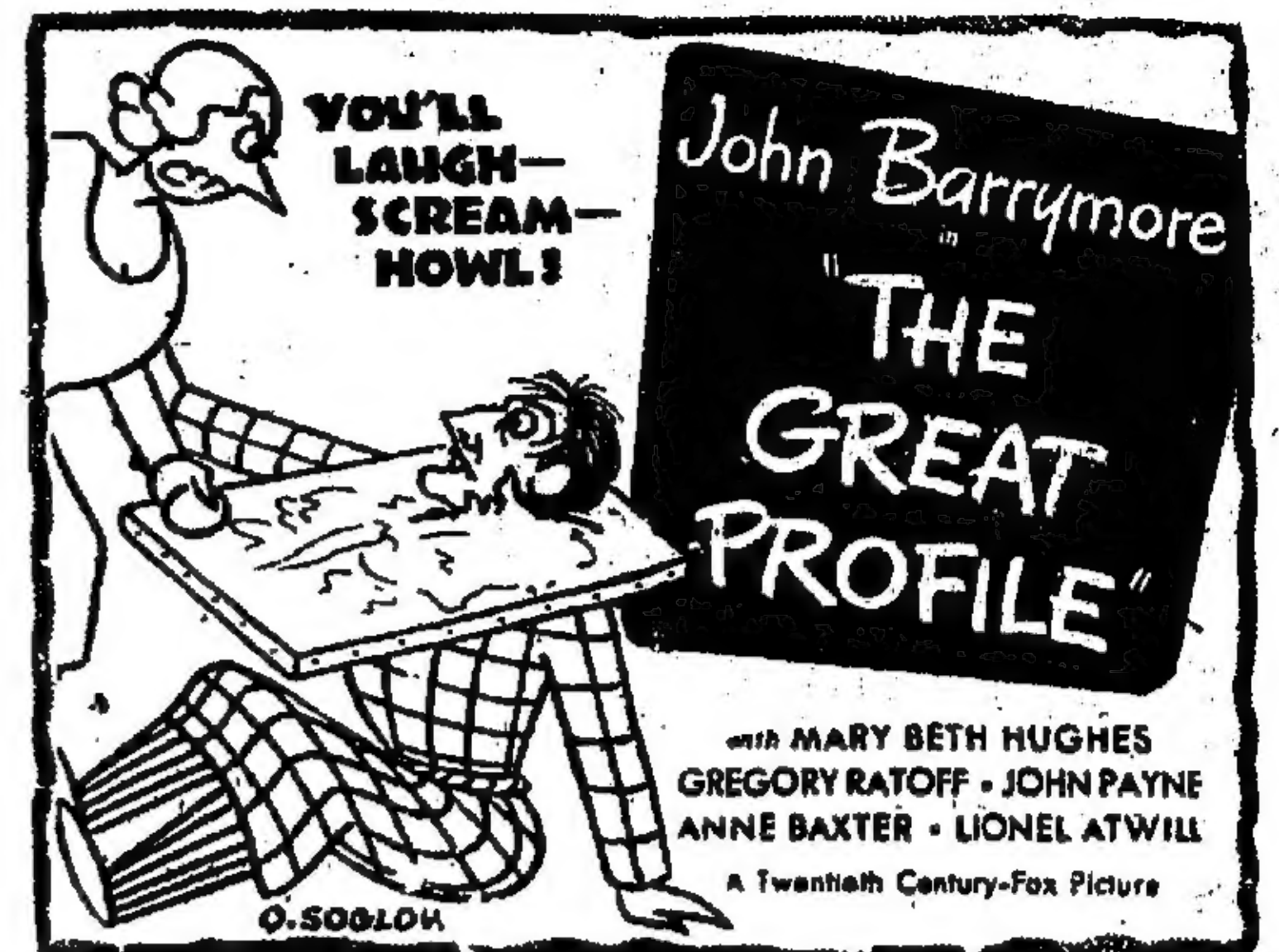
The head doctors of all the hospitals in Oslo met and passed a resolution sharply protesting against Nazi interference with the medical profession. "The arrest of Dr. Gjessing is an outrageous violation of the law, one which cannot be tolerated in a civilized society," declared the doctors.

"We, the undersigned, therefore demand that the guilty ones be apprehended and punished. If this categorical demand is not met, and if we are not given complete freedom and protection under the law to care for the sick, then we shall feel obliged to resign from our positions. It should be added that our associates and assistant doctors as well as the interior share our views completely."

The arrest of Dr. Gjessing and the threatened strike have been kept from the Norwegian public

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ST. JOHN'S "U" REGISTRAR

CHUNGKING, June 18 (Central)—The registrar of St. John's University, Shanghai, Mr. Z. K. Sze, who was kidnapped allegedly by Wang Ching-wei's agents on June 4, is now being held somewhere in Chapei, according to a Shanghai report quoting the university authorities.

Negotiations are proceeding regarding the amount of ransom for his release, which is between \$5,000 and \$4,000.

and it was only through the report to the Stockholm Tidningen that this news had become known.

FRITZ KREISLER WELL AGAIN

NEW YORK, June 18 (Reuter)—Fritz Kreisler, the famous violinist, yesterday said his condition was described as good. "Audiences may expect once again to hear him play with all his matchless art," for his wife stated that he will play again "as he has always played."

Kreisler, who is 66, was knocked down by a motor car in New York seven weeks ago and was taken to hospital, suffering from a fractured skull and internal injuries.

Mackenzie King Reiterates Full Support For Britain

NEW YORK, June 18 (Reuter) — "With the enemy at her gates and approaching our shores, there will be time enough to check on the costs and credits when we all know whether the world is to be slave or free," said Mr. Mackenzie King, Canadian Prime Minister last night, referring to Britain's shortage of Canadian money which "we have told her not to worry about."

He was speaking in New York of that humanity which is above to the Associated Canadian Organisations.

"Our people went to war for the sake of Canada but not for Canada alone. We went to war for the sake of Britain, for North American civilisation which we are proud to defend, and for the sake

of that humanity which is above all nations.

"Against total war we have brought and shall bring our total effort.

"The value of Canadian shipments of food, raw materials and war equipment to Britain," he continued, "will, it is estimated, reach \$1,500,000,000 in 1941."

"Apart from goods sent to Canada, Britain has needed already \$1,000,000,000 to cover Canadian purchases. Britain has paid Canada about a quarter of this in gold while Canada herself supplied the remainder in Canadian dollars which Britain needed."

He predicted the end of war would find the British Commonwealth and the United States "on each other's side more closely united than ever in one great endeavour to undo the wrongs which had been done by mankind."

ALLIED TROOPS OVERLOOKING DAMASCUS

FRENCH DESTROYER SUNK OFF SYRIA

CAIRO, June 18 (Reuter) — Further Vichy positions had been captured south of Damascus where fighting continues, states latest despatches from Syria.

The Allies are now in the hills overlooking the plain of Damascus and making way slowly towards the city.

At Merj Ayoun, which is in Allied hands, the situation is well under control.

VICHY RESISTANCE

Resistance by Vichy troops in Syria, which it was hoped could be avoided, has now developed and General Dent's forces have struck a blow in the centre which has led to fighting.

It has, however, made no material change. The latest despatches received here report that Merj Ayoun—claimed to have been taken by Vichy troops—is still in Allied hands.

The situation there is well in hand and Allied reserves are available.

POSITION SECURE

On the coast, the Allies have made little progress beyond Sidon and the position there seems reasonably secure.

There is still fighting south of Damascus, where certain Vichy positions have been captured.

The Allies are now on the hills overlooking Damascus Plain and are making their way slowly down towards the city.

Syrians and Druses are generally friendly to the Allies.

LYONS BROADCAST

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter) — A Vichy communiqué on the Syrian operations, broadcast by the Lyons radio last night read:

"In the area situated between Jebel Druze and Mount Hermon as well as in the mountainous part of South Lebanon, counter-offensive operations continue.

"On the coast, British forces, deprived of the support of the Fleet, which withdrew on the morning of June 16, have developed only slight activity.

"Our air force continued to attack with bombs the rear of the enemy despite very active anti-aircraft defences.

"Rayak and Homs districts were twice raided by the R.A.F. on Sunday night, but there were no casualties or damage."

DESTROYER SUNK

VICHY, June 18 (Reuter) — A French destroyer was sunk in the operations off Syria, says a Beirut telegram to the Vichy news agency.

CRETE BATTLE ECHO

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter) — It is learned here that a Royal Marine officer recently brought a party of five officers and a considerable number of other ranks from Crete to Egypt in a flat-bottomed invasion barge.

He left Crete on June 1 and arrived in Egypt on the night of June 2, having taken eight days to cover a distance of 200 miles.

TANKS AND ARMoured VEHICLES CLASH IN BIG ENCOUNTER ON EGYPT-LIBYA FRONTIER

German And Italian Troops At Sollum Are In Danger Of Being Cut Off By The British

CAIRO, June 18 (Reuter) — One of the biggest encounters with tanks ever seen took place on Sunday on the escarpment near Halfaya (Hellfire) Pass on the Egyptian-Libyan frontier, according to reports reaching here last night, writes Reuter's Chief correspondent.

Raising clouds of sand, the tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles charged, attacked, counter-attacked and reformed in surprising manoeuvres.

British tanks made a wide sweeping movement south of Halfaya Pass, charged up the escarpment and debouched on the fighting ground in the triangle formed by Halfaya Pass, Sollum and Fort Capuzzo.

Reports of this operation, though it was of limited scope, have aroused great enthusiasm and excitement in Egypt because it shows firstly that General Sir Archibald Wavell, whose name has a magic ring for the Egyptians, is strong enough to conduct operations on two fronts simultaneously and secondly, that supplies and equipment, which have been steadily pouring in for months from Britain, America, India and Australia, must now be approaching a point of near adequacy.

REGULAR BATTLE

The fighting in the Sollum-Capuzzo-Halfaya triangle look like developing into a regular battle. The British troops are driving back the Germans and Italians and have got as far as Capuzzo but not necessarily into it, according to military authorities here.

Germans and Italians are understood to be still at Sollum, but they are distinctly threatened with being cut off by the operations on the plain above Sollum. They are rushing up reinforcements from the Tobruk area, and it is difficult to prophesy the future course of the engagement.

At the moment, gun carriers, armoured cars and mobile artillery taking part are jockeying for position in a bid to secure a useful jumping off ground in the "triangle."

This area is very useful to whoever holds it and inconvenient to the side that does not. There has been little doing on the coast and plain near Sollum compared with the really hard fighting in progress on the escarpment above.

G.H.Q. COMMUNIQUE

A communique issued yesterday by the British G.H.Q. here states: "In Libya: By a surprise movement, our troops have made a penetration as far as Fort Capuzzo. Enemy reinforcements have been hurried forward from the Tobruk area and many determined counter-attacks have so far been repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy. Operations are proceeding."

"In Abyssinia: On June 15, after a sharp engagement, our African troops captured an enemy rear-guard position to the West of Lake Lakanti taking 200 prisoners."

R.A.F. OPERATIONS

An R.A.F. communiqué says: "Cyrenaica: Aircraft of the Imperial air forces were continuously active throughout yesterday in support of the operations carried out by our ground forces. Numerous sorties were made by our fighters to drive off aircraft attempting to bomb and machine-gun our troops, and in many instances the enemy bombers were forced to jettison their bombs without attacking."

"In the course of combat, one Messerschmitt-109 was shot down and several other Messerschmitt-109 and 110's were severely damaged. One Heinkel was destroyed on the ground."

TRANSPORTS ATTACKED

"During Sunday night, the harbour at Benghazi, several enemy aerodromes and concentrations of motor transports were heavily attacked. A number of fires were started in the harbour at Benghazi."

"At Bardia, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm started large fires among enemy vehicles, a number of which were destroyed or damaged."

"Fires were also started on the landing at Derna, Mariut, and Gassala, where tanks, fuel, and other supplies were stored."

"Direct hits were made on military objectives at Bardia."

JAPANESE NEWSMEN CHASTISED

BANGKOK, June 18 (Reuter) — For the fifth day in succession, Japanese correspondents come in for a chastising at the hands of a section of the Thai Press.

The Singsat, The Voice of Thai, recalls numerous harmful reports about Thailand and says that it was significant that the ugly allegation against M. Vilas was circulated immediately after his return from Singapore.

It asks how it is that the Japanese authorities permitted the Japanese Press to publicise such despatches.

"We will be compelled to question the good morals of the Japanese Press if it persists in this course. Thailand is always loyal to her friends provided they do not turn against her."

VITAL GERMAN WAR INDUSTRIES HAMMERED BY R.A.F. BOMBERS

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter) — Vital war industries crowded into Germany's greatest manufacturing area — the Ruhr — were heavily attacked for the sixth night in succession by large forces of R.A.F. bombers on Monday night.

The Air Ministry news service states that, though dark, the night was clear, and even before the moon had risen many aircraft had reached and bombed Cologne, Düsseldorf and Duisburg.

These cities through which runs the Rhine were the main objectives and soon there were fires on both sides of the river and all tall industrial buildings showed up in the flares of flames.

FORMIDABLE DEFENCES

As the attack developed the ground defences became more formidable, anti-aircraft shells bursting all round the R.A.F. planes and countless searchlights trying to compete with the glare of flames and flares dropped by the bombers.

In spite of the defences, the pilots got through to their targets.

SPECTACULAR SWEEP

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter) — Clouds of R.A.F. fighters carried out a spectacular offensive sweep over the Straits of Dover and the French coast last night.

Several squadrons of fighters were engaged and for some time the Channel throbbled with the deep unbroken roar of powerful motors.

RETALIATORY NAZI MEASURES

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter) — American property in Germany is the object of an immediate retaliatory action by the German Government.

Berlin announces: "By order of the President the Government of the United States on June 14 announced the freezing of all German assets in the United States. By order of the German Government, therefore, necessary steps will immediately be taken concerning property of American citizens in the German Reich."

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter) — Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador to Moscow, had an audience with the Russian Foreign Minister, Mr. Litvinov, yesterday when he spent a considerable time.



STOUT FELLER

"Where are you going with that axe?"

"I'm going to do a little deforestation, Bertie. There's a tree outside I've taken a dislike to, I shall fell it with one fell swoop."

"Rather early in the morning for tree felling, isn't it?"

"The early woodcutter gets the first tree, you know. Besides — it's an ugly tree. There is something offensive about that tree. Come to think of it, it rather reminds me of you, Bertie."

"Well — I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

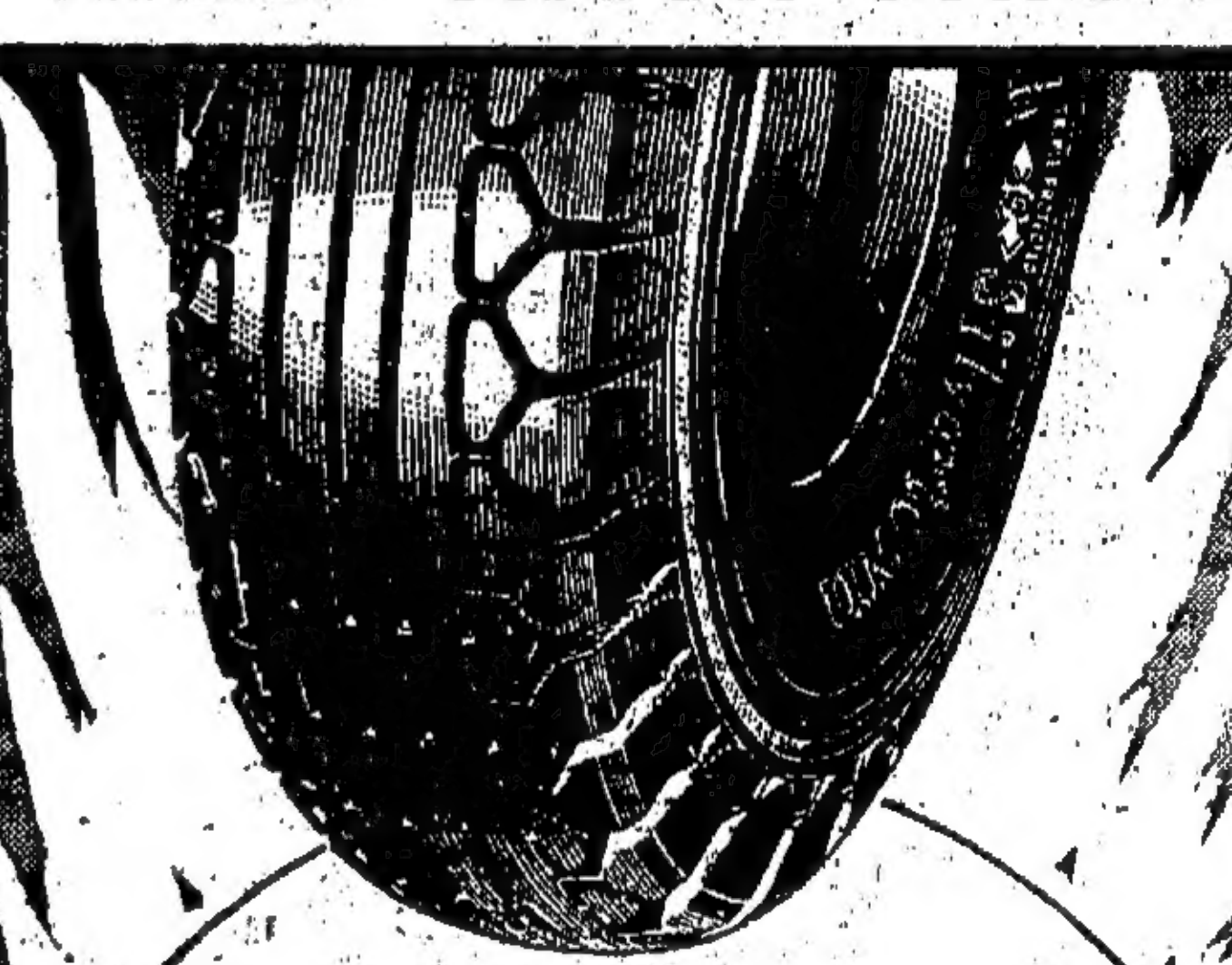
whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

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British Destroyer Damage Revealed By First Lord In Review Of Shipping Position

LONDON, June 18 (British Wireless)—The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, speaking to the Royal Empire Society yesterday, revealed that after the defection of the French Fleet and operations by the Navy in connexion with the evacuation of Norway, Holland and Belgium and France, there were more than 70 destroyers undergoing repair in dockyards due to enemy damage.

Ten or eleven destroyers were sunk and heavy casualties suffered. The effect was that there was an immediate increase in the loss of merchant shipping tonnage which was not surprising.

First requirement was to place damaged ships in service again. This was done in spite of the shipbuilding and repairing industry which had been allowed to drop to too low a level in peace time, which meant the organisation of additional workers and the training of workers in itself a large task.

Nevertheless the ships came out and though we did not build to the extent we desired, it was amazing how much we had done to stiffen the strength of the Fleet in succeeding months.

CORVETTES

In addition to new destroyers and cruisers there had been added to the Fleet tremendously important ships known as corvettes, "which we have now in very large numbers and I hope to get in increasing numbers."

Mr. Alexander added that the defection of the French fleet required the drafting of ships engaged in escort duty in the Atlantic to the Mediterranean, to take the place of casualties, which made the task of other escorting ships more difficult.

"I will say, despite any criticisms, that the work was being done with such a measure of success as to enable all of us not to know anything of the pangs of hunger."

BATTLE OF ATLANTIC

Dealing with the Battle of the Atlantic, Mr. Alexander said it was quite certain that in the last four months improved organisation in the north-west approaches had resulted in a weight of attack on enemy submarines which had meant that the enemy could not stop there and take it but had to go to other areas.

Regarding the menace from air attack, he pointed out that in the whole of the last war, when the huge tonnage of 12 millions were sunk by enemy action, only 8,000 tons succumbed to air attack.

Today we had to face air attack on our shipping not only in our own coastal waters but in the Mediterranean as well.

ENEMY LOSSES

What the Royal Navy rejoiced to see was the extent to which our Air Force, in the last few weeks, was beginning to take toll of enemy shipping, of which we had already sunk or captured 3,200,000 tons since war started.

In a tribute to the work of the Merchant Navy, Mr. Alexander concluded: "It is perfectly grand when one hears of a merchant ship putting down a submarine or of a little ship off the north-east coast of Scotland coming into port with the remains of two aeroplanes on its decks, or hearing of the shooting down of a great and powerful long-range Nazi bomber."

George Cross Award

Bombing Of St. Paul's Cathedral Recalled

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter)—One of the men of the famous bomb disposal squad who saved St. Paul's Cathedral last September by removing a one-ton high explosive delayed action bomb, buried in the southwest corner of the Cathedral, was decorated by the King with the George Cross at a recent investiture at Buckingham Palace.

He was Corporal George Wylie, to whom fell the task in the actual discovery and removal of the bomb.

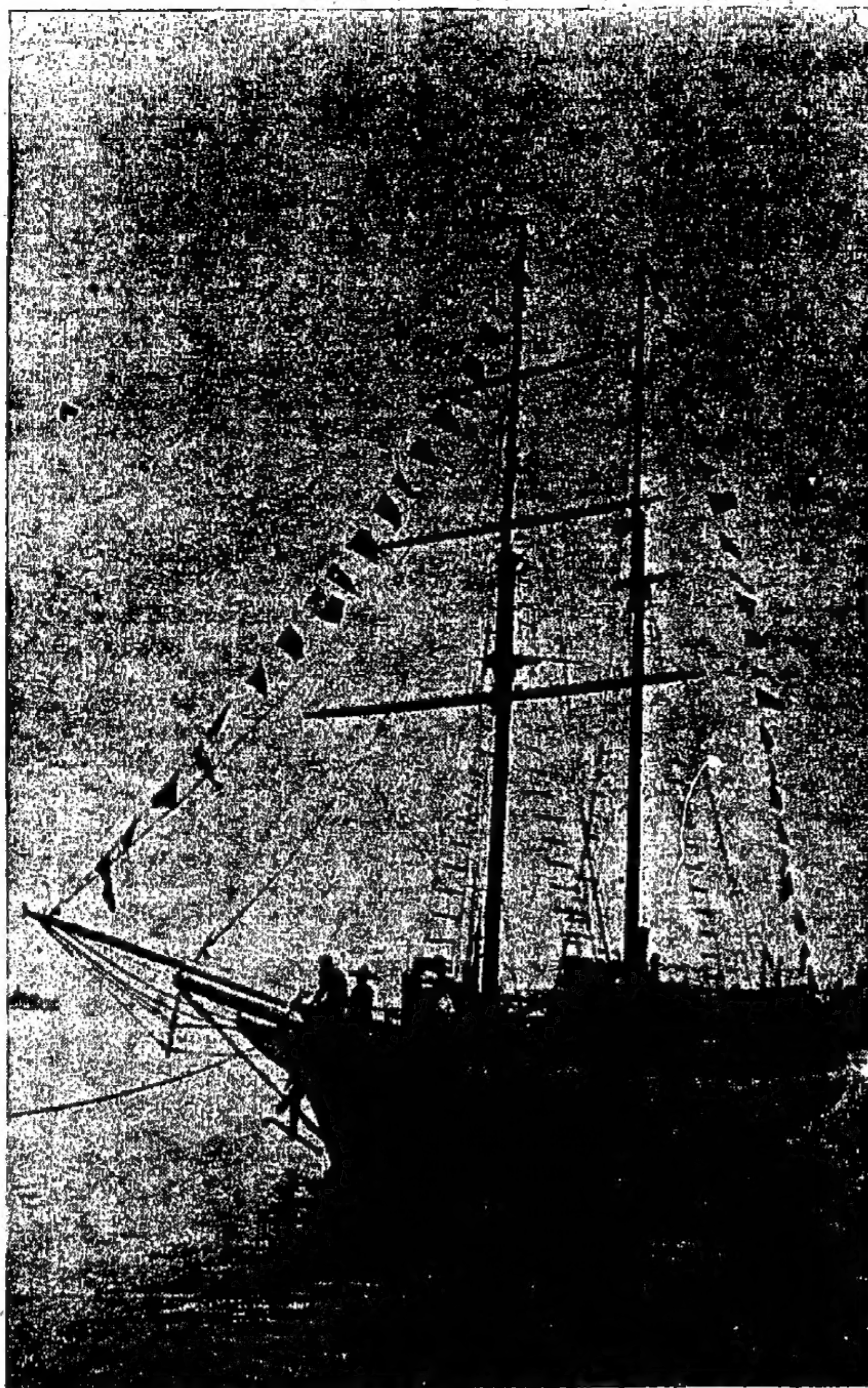
When the bomb was dug up, the removal squad, commanded by Lieutenant Robert Davis, who also received the George Cross, loaded the bomb on a lorry and drove it to Hackney Marshes, some miles away, where it was exploded.

Corporal Wylie is a bachelor of 31 years and was a grocer in Scotland until eight years ago. Before then he was working in an aeroplane factory in England.

As the King pinned the Cross on his tunic, a Court official read out an account of his deed "for conspicuous bravery, his untiring energy, courage, and disregard for danger was an outstanding example to his comrades."

The King asked Wylie how long it took to remove the bomb. "Three days, sir," was the reply.

ON TWO YEARS VOYAGE



The 55-ton brigantine "OUR LADY OF PEACE" with Lieut. Col. Juan L. Calvo in charge, left the Wing On Shing shipyard at 7 a.m. yesterday for Manila on the first leg of a round-the-world cruise that is expected to occupy two years. The vessel was built at the Yard.

Col. Calvo is accompanied by Mr. Rafael d'Almeida, as mate, two seamen, and a cook. They expect to be in Manila by the end of the week.

The brigantine should have left Hongkong on Sunday morning, but at the last minute the Chinese steward was missed. The man has not since been located, and missed also were an unloaded .38 Colt automatic pistol and \$200 in money.

Graziani's Career Ended By Berlin

Graziani's dismissal was ordered by Berlin, not Rome. Real Axis C-in-C in Libya now is Nazi General Karl von Rommel, former Commander of Western Front Panzer divisions. He has been ordered at all costs, to prevent Wavell's armies contacting French Tunisia.

Complete Nazi control of Italian war economy is also reflected by top job appointments of German "experts" in all Tripolitanian administrative departments. These men are ex-officials of old German colonies.

UNDER-NOURISHMENT

Behind rise in Nazi factories accident rate by 80 per cent. is revelation of under-nourishment. Of 2,000,000 accidents last year—10,000 fatal—more than half were the result of vertigo or fainting. German labour chiefs fear workers are being extended almost beyond human endurance limits.

To combat waves of sabotage in occupied countries Nazi psychologists have devised "heart and culture" lectures to win co-operation. Experiment begun in Denmark has failed.

"EQUAL PARTNERSHIP"

Hungary's "equal partnership" hubbub has lately been cynically burst by Goering. He now demands double agreed quota of all produce and 80 per cent. of transport including horses, mules, and private vehicles; transfer of at least 1,000,000 labourers to Germany, and the diversion of most of Hungary's trade with Italy to the Reich.

Where Hungarian factories employ skilled labour, these have been ordered to manufacture only to German specifications—mainly to replenish Reich losses after R.A.F. attacks.

WARY OF FASCISTS

Wrangling in high Fascist circles. Fall out due to scramble for "perks" of sacked bosses who had been sent to the front and have either been killed or captured.

Cousin Pietro Antonini, Edda Ciano's doctor, has ordered her a recuperative voyage to Brazil in the near future. Ciano is expected to follow her to their estates near Rio de Janeiro. Several other Fascist states in South America are also being made ready for occupation.

Argentina and Brazil are watching the possibilities of the influx of rattling Fascists whose fortunes have already preceded them. These countries don't like what they see.

JAPAN'S POSITION

Japan is down \$1,000,000,000 to date on the China war. Debt is calculated after balancing conquest.

WANG SEEKING JAPAN'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

CHUNGKING, June 18 (Reuter)—The main purpose of the visit to Tokyo of Wang Ching-wei is to seek Japan's financial assistance for the Nanking regime, according to Tao Hsi-sheng in a special article given prominence in this morning's TAKUNGPAO.

It is recalled that Tao Hsi-sheng and Kao Tsung-wu were formerly associates of Wang Ching-wei in his "peace movement" but later escaped to Hongkong and announced their disassociation with him and published alleged secret terms in the agreement between Wang Ching-wei and Japan.

Wang's regime, says Tao Hsi-sheng, requires \$20,000,000 monthly, but its monthly revenue totals between \$8,000,000 and slightly over \$8,000,000.

ESTABLISH F. R. B.

When Japan restricted the export of Japanese capital and goods to the yen bloc countries last summer, according to Tao, this move seriously affected Nanking's finances and "Wang was compelled last winter to establish the so-called Federal Reserve Bank in the hope of meeting the financial requirement through floating large numbers of notes."

The Japanese authorities, however, restricted the total issue of those notes and at the same time did not give the bank their active support.

Wang Ching-wei, therefore, hopes that Japan will allow the Nanking regime to take over the collection of customs, salt and Consolidated taxes, Tao adds.

Wang Ching-wei, the writer asserts, proposes that Nanking be allowed to take over part of the revenues in North China and also Hankow, also part of Shanghai customs revenues and part of Consolidated tax revenues from Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei provinces.

In the hope of strengthening the position of the Nanking regime, it is added, "Wang has been spreading rumours of the arrival of a Chinese Communist representative in Shanghai and also reports the arrival of Chen Kung-po at a certain port for the purpose of taking up peace negotiations with Chungking."

WANG'S FIRST STATEMENT

(TOKYO, June 18 (Reuter)—"The Nanking Government is exerting consistent efforts to fulfil completely the terms of the Sino-Japanese basic treaty signed on Nov. 30, 1940," Wang Ching-wei, who is now visiting Japan, declared in his first statement, since his arrival, to the Japanese people.

"The purpose of my visit to Japan," Wang Ching-wei continued, "is to tender an expression of gratitude for the goodwill of your country which has been supporting my country as well as to exchange views with your Government authorities regarding various fundamental questions requiring the co-operation of our two countries."

Declaring that he has been greatly honoured in having an audience with the Emperor and Empress of Japan, he said that he was profoundly moved by his Majesty who, "in his solicitude for the future of my country and East Asia, was so gracious as to have accorded me words of encouragement."

INNERMOST THOUGHTS

"I intend to call on your Government authorities from tomorrow to fully exchange opinions with them and, at the same time, to express my innermost thoughts to the people of your country."

"I do not hesitate to declare that in my country, the Government and people are exerting equally consistent efforts for the three principles: good-neighbourly, amicable relations, joint defence against Communism and economic co-operation declared previously by Prince Konoye, and fulfil completely the terms of the basic treaty between Japan and China and the joint declaration of Japan, Manchukuo and China which were concluded last year."

"They are thereby endeavouring to bring about a general peace in East Asia and thus to establish permanent peace in East Asia to contribute toward peace in the world."

"Since landing in Kobe, I have been enthusiastically welcomed. The special courtesy of the Imperial household and the cordiality of the people afforded me have given me an impression which I shall never forget throughout the rest of my life, and for which I desire to express my profound thanks."

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DETECTION & DESTRUCTION OF RAIDERS

LONDON, June 18 (Reuter)—"Development of high promise in many directions" in the detection and destruction of enemy planes was mentioned by the Lord Privy Seal, Major C. R. Attlee, in answer to a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

Major Attlee was invited to amplify the recent statement by the Canadian Minister for Defence, Colonel Ralston, when announcing Canadian help in this direction.

Major Attlee said: "Thanks to the brilliant work of our scientists great progress has been made in devising means of helping the fighting services in locating and destroying the enemy."

INGENIOUS APPARATUS

"British industries are now turning out increasing quantities of an ingenious whose maintenance demands large numbers of skilled men, especially radio mechanics."

"Training is now being given by the fighting services assisted by universities and technical colleges throughout the country."

"Still there is need for more craftsmen and a broadcast appeal is being made to technical men overseas to come forward to join their skill and knowledge to that of our scientists."

The Hongkong Branch of the St. John's University (of Shanghai) Alumni Association will hold its annual general meeting at the Chinese Merchants Club tomorrow at 7.30 p.m., when a report on the Club's last year's activities will be made and the election of new officials take place. It is learned that Dr. W. W. Yen, former Chinese Ambassador to Moscow, who is an alumnus of the University, will attend.

smoke, and she was due, I should say, for quick sinking."

"Though an engine of one of our aircraft was put out of action by gunfire, we returned safely across the North Sea on the other."

TOKYO-BATAVIA PARLEYS

Recall Of Delegation Is "Explained"

TOKYO, June 18 (Reuter)—Mr. Yoshizawa was ordered to Tokyo because the N. E. I. reply to the Japanese proposals was "hardly worthy of being specially incorporated in an international agreement," according to an official announcement.

However, the announcement assures that normal relations between Japan and the N. E. I. are by no means affected.

The announcement claims the Japanese requests were "very reasonable" in view of third Powers being "very liberally permitted" to engage in aviation oil and other enterprises throughout the N. E. I.

Among the Japanese requests, the announcement mentions the development of natural resources, free Japanese entry, pursuit of occupations, call of ships at closed ports and coastal navigation and fishing.

ENEMY SUPPLY SHIP BOMBED BY R.A.F.

ATTACK DESCRIBED BY FLIGHT LEADER

LONDON, June 18 (BWS)—A 4,000-ton supply ship sighted in daylight yesterday, riding in calm sea off Den Helder, was attacked by a flight of Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command.

The vessel was protected by a destroyer and a dazzle painted flak ship, states the Air Ministry news service.

ATTACK DESCRIBED

The leader of the flight has described the attack as follows:—

"We went towards the brown hull of the vessel at almost sea level and I could see her markings plainly as I pulled back the control column to climb over her dull yellow superstructure. I think we took her by surprise."

"I did not see my own bombs drop although others in the formation confirmed our hits but I saw bombs from the aircraft following go smash into the deck."

VESSELS STRAFED

"Before we left, our gunners had raked the deck not only of the supply ship, but of the destroyer and the flak as well."

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U.S. OIL SHIPMENTS TO JAPAN WILL BE ENDED AS SOON AS EXPEDIENT

American oil shipments to Japan, now being maintained on a high level, will be ended as soon as the United States Government feels it is expedient to do so. It has been learned, states the "Christian Science Monitor," although this Government is acutely aware that every barrel of American petroleum shipped to Japan may eventually be used against it, officials feel that an oil embargo would not incapacitate Japan for some months and that it might push Tokyo into new adventures seriously jeopardizing the Anglo-American position in the Far East.

In fact, there is reason to believe the Administration has so far discouraged any attempts of American oil companies to embargo the Japanese on their own.

N.E.I. OIL

In a recent letter to a stockholder, an official of one of the largest American oil companies wrote that "without any express order to that effect, our Government has indicated its desire that we continue the shipments to Japan, these consisting largely of oil from a partly-owned subsidiary in the Netherlands East Indies."

Nevertheless, Washington is authoritatively reported prepared to restrict these shipments both as a means of weakening Japan and as preserving America's own stocks of fuel as soon as the opportunity arrives to do so without too drastically upsetting the Far East. These restrictions would be in line with others already imposed whereby the United States is denying a number of strategic materials and products to those nations whose present course of action it condemns.

UNITED POLICY

Evidence that the United States and Great Britain are united in their policy toward Japan is seen in the fact that the former, like the latter, is still selling large quantities of oil to Japan.

This oil is being retailed by British concerns in the East Indies and is reported as furnishing Japan with approximately 40 per cent of its petroleum imports.

Washington and London are believed to have agreed that any drastic curtailment in oil shipments, either from the United States or from Anglo-American sources in the East Indies, would push Japan into an immediate attack upon the Netherlands East Indies, which would raise the likelihood of war with Australia, New Zealand and the British forces in Malaya and at Singapore. This, in turn, would make an American-Japanese clash almost inevitable, it is felt.

It is also known that Japan has sufficient oil reserves to permit it to undertake a campaign of some months' duration against the Netherlands East Indies and where it might hope to find reserve stocks.

ECONOMIC FACTORS

Although the major factors influencing the American attitude on oil shipments to Japan are undoubtedly diplomatic and military, the economic factors are not unimportant, according to those close to the problem. It is pointed out that an embargo would cut both ways and that, while it would undoubtedly injure Japan, it would also harm to some degree thousands of Americans who have interests in the oil companies carrying on this trade.

A large number of these companies are small and a sudden stoppage of their exports to Japan

would be felt even down to the men who work in their continental American service stations.

STRATEGIC MATERIALS

The pattern which the United States expects to follow in regard to oil shipments may be foreseen in that followed for a number of other strategic materials. Since early in February no copper has been exported to Japan, while that country no longer finds it possible to buy machine tools, aluminum or iron or steel scrap here.

While these objects were placed under export licence control because of America's own national defence needs, it is significant that certain friendly nations, free from Axis domination or taint, are able to buy them in limited quantities.

That Japan is experiencing no difficulty as yet in purchasing American petroleum is seen in Commerce Department figures which show that whereas the United States exported 1,491,000 barrels of petroleum to Japan in January and 1,279,000 barrels in February, it exported 1,558,000 barrels in March.

IMPORTANCE OF AIR TRANSPORT

Emphasis on the importance of air transport in the development of a country was laid by Sq. Ldr. H. R. Hughes-Hallett, speaking on "Flying" at the weekly luncheon of the Singapore Rotary Club.

Dealing on the subject from the transport point of view, Sq. Ldr. Hughes-Hallett said that the development of any and every country depended on transport.

Flying, he summed up, was a logical sequel to primitive transport, and was as important to the twentieth century as primitive transport was of yore.

He added, however, that he did not visualize a time when there could be "house-to-house" flying as this would be making wrong use of the air.

Earlier in his talk, Sq. Ldr. Hughes-Hallett referred to the new air link created by the American Clipper, and stated that he believed it not to be only an outstanding event but also an indication that flying would be necessary in the progress of Singapore.

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SINKING OF S.S. ST. PATRICK

Heroism Of Wireless Operator, Stewardess

LONDON, June 18 (British Wireless) — Survivors from the S.S. St. Patrick, bombed and sunk by a German aircraft, have told of the heroism and bravery of the wireless operator and a stewardess.

The wireless room was wrecked but the operator, Mr. I.N. Campbell, groping his way in complete darkness to the wireless emergency set stood amongst the debris and sent off two messages for assistance.

Directly the ship was attacked a stewardess, Miss Owen, at once collected the women and children from the cabins and led them to the boat-deck. When the boat had been launched she took charge of a boatload of children and looked after them until they were picked up and taken to port.

DERELICT JUNK

A burning derelict junk considered dangerous to navigation was sighted at 4 a.m. on June 17 at Lat. 22 deg. 22'N., Long. 115 deg. 37' E. (Approx.) states a Harbour Office Notice.

Kwok Yu-wah, 51, Fisherman, was admitted to the Cheungchau Hospital on June 17, suffering injuries to his right hand when he was dynamiting fish in Cheungchau harbour.

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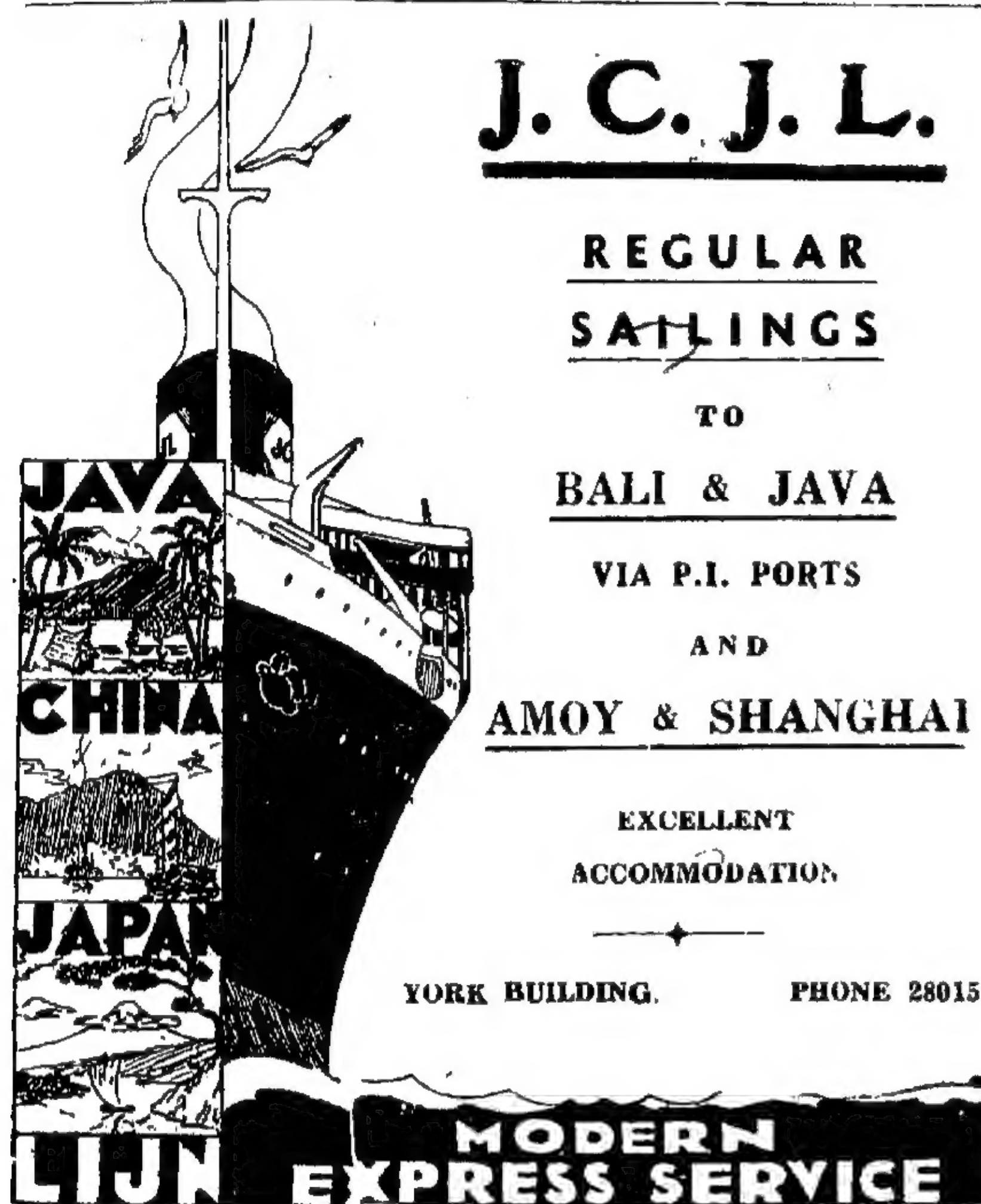
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STEERS CLEARS 6 FT. 11 INS.

NEW RECORD FOR MILE RELAY

LOS ANGELES, June 18 (Reuter).—Two world athletic records were created.

LES STEERS cleared six feet 11 inches in the high jump, while a quartette of runners from the University of California covered the mile relay in 3 minutes 9.4 seconds.

Steers has been in magnificent form lately, this being the third time within a few weeks that he has improved his high jump figure which is fast reaching seven feet.

The California relayers opposed a Southern California quartette who finished a few inches behind. The previous relay record was 3 minutes 19.7 seconds by a British quartette.

BRAVE BO'SUN

GAOLED AFTER A WIFE'S COMPLAINT

A 28-year-old dockswain, who last August was commended for bravery by the King and by the Vice-Admiral of the Dover Patrol, was sentenced at Dartford to six months' hard labour.

The sailor, Ivor Lloyd Rogers, said by the police to be a married man, was convicted of an aggravated assault on Mrs. Joyce Ethel White, of Barrington-road, Bexley Heath, and stealing £156 belonging to the Port of London Authority.

Mr. Norman Baynes, prosecuting, told the Court that on Oct. 26 Mrs. White married Philip James White, who was serving in the R.A.F. as an air-gunner. A few weeks after the wedding he was reported missing. Mrs. White was employed at a drapery stores at Bexley Heath.

On the night of Feb. 4 Rogers who purported to be engaged to another assistant at the same stores, sought shelter during some gunfire, at the house in Barrington-road, where Mrs. White lived.

Mrs. White made him a cup of coffee. When he mentioned her husband she began to cry.

Rogers put his arm round her waist and tried to kiss her, saying, "I have loved you ever since I first saw you in the shop."

Mr. Baynes described the struggle that followed.

Finally Rogers pulled himself together. Mrs. White remonstrated with him, saying: "Phil is a prisoner and might even be dead. I trusted you. I would not have let you in if I thought this was going to happen."

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OWEN TUDOR WINS THE DERBY

NEWMARKET, June 18 (Reuter).—The 161st DERBY, run today over a mile-and-a-half course, resulted as follows:—

1. OWEN TUDOR (Nevett) 25 to 1.
2. MOROGORO (Harry Wragg) 11 to 2.
3. FERROE DIN (Stephenson) 100 to 1.

Won by length-and-a-half; two lengths between second and third.

An early morning train which left London terminus was packed with people and there was little doubt that they were bound for Heath to witness the second war-time Derby.

It seemed to be of greater interest this year—compared to 1940 and the open nature of the race was shown by the wide betting range among the 20 runners, nearly all of whom had followers.

A late wire from the course suggested Anthonom as a sound each-way proposition though there was still money for shorter priced runners.

CZECH OFFICERS Many uniformed people were among the visitors, officers and men on leave taking the opportunity to see the race and one party of Czechoslovakian officers was among them.

Despite war-time conditions and the fact that it was a substitute race, it was generally considered that the field was of good standard and from the breeders' viewpoint, the race will be worth winning despite the reduced value, the winner now taking £4,473 compared to an instance of £10,625 which was Blue Peter's share for his 1930 victory.

Hopes of a Royal victory at the opening of Derby racing programme were disappointed when H.M. the King's MERRY WANDERER, starting favourite, failed to reach the first three in the Royston Handicap.

The winner was Lord Glanely's THE PELICAN which won the thrilling race by a head from Lord Portal's LONGRIGGAN.

The recent clothes rationing

BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER

RECREIO DEFEAT Y.M.C.A.

The Club de Recreio were hosts to the European Y.M.C.A. yesterday evening in a friendly return encounter of billiards and snooker and won by five games out of six.

The closest match was between Soares and C. T. Eager in billiards. Soares made a break of 63, which was the second highest break of the evening.

A. J. Osmund scored 66, the highest break, in billiards against C. Terran.

L. Sykes had the distinction of scoring the highest break in snooker with 19 points.

RECREIO: Snooker—J. C. Remedios 56, J. E. Noronha 55, and A. P. Pereira 142. Billiards—E. M. Soares 150 (53), R. F. Luz 150 and A. J. Osmund 208 (66).

EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A.: Snooker—H. Jackson 63, E. H. De Cosler 44, and L. Sykes 56 (19). Billiards—C. T. Eager 147, W. H. Ingleby 92 and C. Terran 70 (45).

appeared not to worry the women and a few were seen without stockings. The most noticeable omission was the familiar topper of the menfolk.

Race cards sold in aid of the Red Cross brought double the usual price.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS:

Three Years' Hard Labour & 24 Strokes Of The Cane Imposed On Hold-Up Man

Remarking that accused was physically healthy and fit for the thrashing he was going to get the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday imposed sentence of three years' hard labour and 24 strokes of the cane on Lau Fuk, 32, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to three separate charges.

Lau was charged with robbing the Pak Kut Restaurant, Yaumatei, of \$77.05 on May 3, shooting with intent at a 16-year-old boy, Yip Shu-kwong, and unlawful possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

It was stated by the prosecution that accused had four previous convictions.

Pleading guilty to a charge of highway robbery on May 16 in Hung, 26, unemployed, was sentenced to two years' hard labour, the sentence to run from the expiration of his present term of three months' imprisonment for breach of deportation order.

He was charged with robbing a 63-year-old man, Chau Lam of a leather case containing medicine at Pratt Avenue, Kowloon.

USE OF PARTNER'S SHARE ALLEGED

Alleged to have used up his partner's share in a joint partnership of a firewood shop, the Cheong Wah firm, No. 7, Landale Street, ground floor, of which he was managing partner, on May 26, CHAU FAN-CHEONG, 25, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy yesterday with larceny of \$4,697.50 and an alternative count of stealing \$4,595.80.

Mr. D. McCallum appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ was for the defence. Det. Sub-Inspector F. W. Fowle was present for the Police.

Complainant, Kwan Pin, in evidence, said that the firm was formed at a partnership capital of \$5,000 each. Business was started on Feb. 2 at No. 7, Landale Street, ground floor.

In May, witness asked defendant to dissolve the business and requested him to get out a balance sheet. This was done and the sheet showed net loss incurred at \$35.40.

Witness continued to say that he asked defendant for the return of his share, but this was never given back to him, as defendant disappeared some time later.

Admitting a charge of robbing Li Ping-chi of 280 sacks of salt on board Junk No. T5560H off Lung Koo Tan on May 3, Cheung Sam-kam and Wong Tai, alias Wong Ho-tai, were each sentenced to three years' hard labour.

A third accused, Tsang Chau, who pleaded not guilty, was discharged on the Crown offering no evidence against him.

Four years' imprisonment each was imposed on Yu Kun-yeung, Wong Ming, alias Wong So, and Lai Sai-ying, who all pleaded guilty to robbing six different persons of money and articles at Tai-poo on May 7.

Wong Shu, 31, was sentenced to 15 months' hard labour on pleading guilty to the possession of 15 forged notes purporting to be \$1 notes of the Government of Hongkong. Wong was arrested at Salomon Road on May 20 and the notes were found in his girdle.

Chan Yau, who pleaded guilty to a charge of receiving stolen property, a "propelling pencil," at Un Long, on May 23 was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Crown Counsel, and Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, were in charge of the Crown cases.

HILL RAILWAY MORE POPULAR

That more use is being made of the Penang Hill Railway by the public generally in Penang and Malaya, and that there had been an increase in the number of passengers carried in spite of the lack of tourist ships calling at Penang, is indicated in the annual report of the Penang Hill Railway.

The report for 1940 covers the seventeenth year of working, the actual date on which the Railway was opened for service being October 31st, 1923.

"There has been an increase in all classes of tickets sold except agents' tickets and season tickets," states the report.

"Although we have a considerable revenue owing to lack of tourist ships calling at Penang, the number of passengers actually carried has increased. Really, in addition to the revenue, the railway is a valuable asset to the island."

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 19th JUNE, 1941.

Airmail Service by British Overseas Airways Corporation to East & South Africa; United Kingdom and beyond is temporarily suspended.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—

Yunnan
Szechuen
Kweichow
Hunan
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu)
Kwangsi
North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

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| From | Due |
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| Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date, 24th June. | 1st July. |
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OUTWARD AIR MAILS

| For | Date and Time |
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| MONDAY | Mon. 23rd June K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM G.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM |
| Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways" | |
| TUESDAY | Tue. 1st July. K.P.O. Reg. Noon Ord. Noon G.P.O. Reg. Noon Ord. 5.00 PM |
| Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services" | |
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ENGLAND IS VERY SHORT OF LAWYERS

While in England there is a shortage of legal men due to the big demands of the Services and Government departments, in Malaya steps taken at the outbreak of war have forced lawyers to remain in the country and legal work has in no way been affected.

A.R.P. Orders

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and 2870 (Yeung Po-tin, Aberdeen) — To be Group Wardens — S/W 1402 Lo Ho-chiu, D.S/W 5045 Chua Ize, D.S/W 1443 Lam Chee-kwong; To be Senior Wardens — 1439 Cheung Nam, 1438 Cheng Kit-hang, 1448 Tam Hung-kwai, 1428 Chow Kim-chee, 3054 Chow Po, 2060 Lau, Sik, Central — To be Group Wardens — S/W 1999 Cheung Po-ling, S/W 458 F. J. M. Rodriguez; To be Senior Wardens — D.S/W 400 Ma Yick-wah, 2153 P. Wong, 457 Ng Tan-fan, Eastern — To be Group Wardens — D.G/W 274 Ip King-chuen; To be Deputy Group Wardens — 829 S/W Po Tat-choi, 828 S/W Chan Wal-chuen; To be Deputy Senior Wardens — 2515 Tse Kam-lam, Upper Levels — To be Group Wardens — D.G/W 2828 E. Fung, D.G/W 516 Wu Suk-hui, D.G/W 5739 So Shun; To be Deputy Group Wardens — S/W 619 Yn Wang, 1802 Ho Sai-chung; To be Senior Wardens — D.S/W 2047 Hung Mung-yin, 2058 Ho Kim-hung, 597 Miao Law, Yeh-chiu, 558 Kwan Koi-kai, D.S/W 543 Chan Chan-ming; To be Deputy Senior Wardens — 650 Li Cheuk-pia, 497 Chan Kim-hung, 505 Chan Hong, 505 Lee Kan-ting, Western — To be Group Wardens — S/W 1011 Chak Yu-sun, S/W 1081 Leung Yau-tim, D.S/W 5407 Wai Man; To be Senior Wardens — 1135 D.S/W Wong Woon-yiu; To be Deputy Senior Wardens — 1143 Fung Chi-wo, Tsimshui — To be Senior Wardens — D.S/W 2175 Mak Shu-wai, 504 Kwok Chun-fai, D.S/W 2041 Cheung Ping-chiu; To be Deputy Senior Wardens — 2240 Fung Yiu-tan.

Only two Malayan lawyers, both of them from up-country, have joined the Services, as regulars and are at present serving in the R.A.F.

Other lawyers are serving as volunteers, but their activities do not interfere with their civil work.

GOT EXEMPTION Quite a number of lawyers have even obtained exemption from training on the ground that they could not be spared from their civil duties.

The Malayan Government's policy of not allowing Europeans to leave the country to enlist in the Services has resulted in there being very little interference with civil work in the country.

So far Malaya has been in the fortunate position of not experiencing a shortage of men in any walk of life.

Lawyers who have been called to Britain since the war began have had to give up undertaking that they would return to Malaya on the expiration of their leave.

A prominent Singapore lawyer expressed the opinion that under the present system they will be no shortage of legal men.

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